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TO :

FROM : Chief, Geographic Research

SUBJECT: Transfer of Internal Research Project Reference Titles

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1. A D/OS external research project on Soviet surveying and mapping, (OS) 22-125 and its successor 1049, has been active over the past two years at [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] It will terminate 30 September 1963.

2. In the course of the research a vast amount of reference materials, translations and abstracts have been collected and assembled. These are the property of the CIA. The materials concern not only surveying and mapping but a wide range of related scientific and technical topics, which have aroused considerable interest in OSI, BR/CD, FDD/OS as well as in the surveying, mapping and reconnaissance components of the Department of Defense. It seems highly advisable, therefore, that arrangements be made for the custody of this valuable material and its future use.

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3. The problem has been discussed informally between [REDACTED] D/OS, the project administrator, and Mr. [REDACTED] of your staff. They have been provided

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with information on the subject matter and cataloging system of the collection. Arrangements have been made for the transmittal of four copies of the 7,000-odd bibliography cards. One set of eighty out of eighty-five abstracts on a variety of scientific topics (the so-called [REDACTED] abstracts) have already been forwarded to [REDACTED]. In addition, FDD was given one set of 87 reference cards to translations and abstracts completed by the Laboratory for the Project. The manuscript of these are being microfilmed at the present time. [REDACTED] BR/CD, made a survey of the biographic cards in this collection of materials and indicated considerable interest in them.

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4. Inasmuch as the Geographic Research Area and OSI will have a continuing need to use the file, and in view of the fact that the materials in the collection have been collected and arranged as an integrated unit, it is suggested that the collection be kept intact, and that its modification and incorporation into the CIA Library be undertaken additionally and separately.

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5. The attachment provides a summary of the materials, and the filing equipment which has been purchased to hold the collection. Any further questions may be taken up directly with [REDACTED] who will provide whatever assistance may be necessary to facilitate the transfer of materials to your custody.

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Annex II
Enclosure: ~~Annex I~~
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